

THE NATIONAL JERICHO MOVEMENT NEWSLETTER
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Revolutionary Greetings.

Welcome to our National Jericho Movement Newsletter. Thank you to all of our members and affiliations who contribute critical information regarding our Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of War as well as updates on activities, events and actions. Moving forward, we stand in fierce determination and solidarity to free our beloved Political Prisoner's and Prisoner's of War. With 20 years behind us and much work ahead, Jericho is growing and as we take on new projects and missives our goal is to be obsolete within a few years. It is not our vision to keep Jericho going, but it is our vision that we will reach a time in this country (and others) wherein there will be no more Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of War. We envision the day when they will walk free and into their families arms-who have been waiting for decades. We hope you join us in making this a reality.

As we reflect back upon April, we honor two beloved Warrior Women/Freedom Fighter's who have transitioned to the ancestors.

We are honored to share the International Leonard Peltier Defense Committee tribute to **Winnie Madikicela Mandela**: September 26th 1936- April 2nd, 2018



“On behalf of Leonard Peltier who is currently locked down, we the International Leonard Peltier Defense Committee with great sadness write these words in tribute of Winnie Madikicela Mandela who today made her journey into the spirit world.

Women have always answered the call to be warriors for their people, Winnie was no different. For 27 years Winnie fought for the freedom of her husband, Nelson Mandela, while continuing in the struggle to end apartheid in South Africa. Our history books immortalize the efforts of Freedom Fighters around the world but in many cases it's the men whom are remembered.

Winnie, was not only a Freedom Fighter but also a Political Prisoner who suffered under the State Security Services of South African. She went on to be a leading figure in the ANC and was considered by her supporters as “The Mother of the Nation”. Let us be inspired by her journey on Mother Earth to fight the injustices that all People face in their struggle for Sovereignty and Right of Self Determination. We send our prayers to the creator for Winnie in hope that her spirit has a safe journey. As Leonard has always said, “Winnie has always supported my struggle for freedom. And I am forever thankful for her support and love.” In the Spirit of Winnie Mandela and all Warrior Women.....The International Leonard Peltier Defense Committee”

Our beloved comrade Kiilu Nyasha: May 22nd 1939-April 10th, 2018



Kiilu, then 74, and her “granddaughter,” age 2, on a rare sunny day in January 2014, zipped around the park together for hours. – Photo: JR Valrey, Block Report Radio

In remembrance: Kiilu Nyasha. by Elbert ‘Big Man’ Howard, April 12, 2018

“It is with great sadness we say good-bye to a truly remarkable revolutionary, Kiilu Nyasha. I first met Kiilu in New Haven, Connecticut, around 1969. She was serving as a coordinator, advocate and cook for the Black Panther Party Breakfast for School Children program there.

Big Man and Kiilu enjoy a day in the park in 2011, the park the people call Lil Bobby Hutton Park, named for the amazing teenager who was the Black Panther Party’s first member and first martyr, murdered by Oakland Police on April 6, 1968, two days after the assassination of Martin Luther King. It’s officially DeFremery Park in West Oakland.

– Photo: Carole Hyams

In addition, Kiilu was working as a legal secretary for the law firm of Charles Garry during the Bobby Seale-Ericka Huggins trials. She allowed Panthers, myself included, full use of her home, providing us with the solid base which was so necessary during our struggles for organizing to free Bobby and Ericka. Some years later, Kiilu moved to California, where she continued to devote her life to the people, the struggle for human rights and freedom for all political prisoners. Although confined to a wheelchair and despite constant life challenges, Kiilu’s spirit, dedication and fierce passion never wavered and she continued the fight armed with her amazing, creative talents for art and writing, also hosting a television program. After I returned to California in 2005, we would reunite at events frequently and I was happy to be able to appear on one of her TV programs. It was always a joy for me to see her again.

It is with great sadness we say good-bye to a truly remarkable revolutionary, Kiilu Nyasha.

My comrade, Kiilu Nyasha, was an uncompromising, revolutionary force. We will forever miss her courage and strength of character, her determination, her talents and her absolute devotion and love for her comrades and the people. Kiilu Nyasha, rest in peace. Love, Big Man

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<http://sfbayview.com/2018/04/in-remembrance-kiilu-nyasha/>

Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of War

1-Medical

-Seth Hayes: April 16, 2018 Update on Emergency Medical Alert for Political Prisoner Robert Seth Hayes.

As people know, ensuring that Robert Seth Hayes receives adequate medical care has been an ongoing struggle over the past 20 years. Seth had been in the infirmary from March 29, 2018 until April 10, 2018 due to extreme fluctuations in his blood glucose levels, from lows of 62 to highs of 600 plus. Since Seth was in the infirmary and could only eat the food provided to him by DOCCS, it seems clear that the diet he is being given is totally inadequate for diabetics. He has been taken off the pump and is relying on insulin shots and fingersticks (four times daily) to control his sugars. As people know, the insulin pump/continuous glucose monitoring device was recommended for Seth by the endocrinologist as a life-saving measure. Seth was supposed to see the endocrinologist at Albany Medical Center in March, but this has still not happened. Please call, fax and email Dr. Koenigsmann:

Carl J. Koenigsmann M.D.
Deputy Commissioner/Chief Medical Officer
NYS DOCCS Division of Health Services
Harriman State Campus, Building #2
1220 Washington Avenue
Albany, New York 12226-2050
Phone: 518-457-7073
Fax: 518-445-7553
Carl.Koenigsmann@doccs.ny.gov

Also call Superintendent Keyser:

Superintendent Keyser
Sullivan Correctional Facility
325 Riverside Drive
Fallsburg, New York 12733 (845) 434-2080

Demand that Robert Seth Hayes #74A2280 be taken immediately to Albany Medical Center for a consult with the endocrinologist. Once again, NYS DOCCS is violating Seth's constitutional and human right to adequate health care, in addition to being in stark violation of the United Nations Nelson Mandela Rules on the treatment of prisoners.

Remember that the last time Seth went to AMC his sugars were 1130, although equipment at Sullivan was reading in the 550 range.

Seth recently got the word he was denied medical parole. LET'S FLOOD THOSE PHONE AND FAX LINES! Feel free to email nycjericho@gmail.com to let us know what response you receive. Staff at Sullivan usually state that Superintendent Keyser will not take phone calls and that all complaints must be in writing. If that is the case, ask to speak with guidance and ask for Seth's counsellor. A woman named Shauna at Dr. Koenigsmann's office has been extremely rude to people and has hung up the phone on them. If this happens, please send an email to Dr. Koenigsmann and also fax him"

-Dr. Tariq Ramadan

"It is our understanding that **Dr. Ramadan has already been made partially paralyzed by the unprecedented pre-trial solitary confinement regime that he has been under for over two months now (with inadequate treatment for multiple sclerosis)**. The Aafia Foundation cannot in good conscience allow another week to go by without a public response to this outrageous behavior of the French government. We believe that a well-attended public protest in front of the French Embassy could go a long way in generating the kind of public pressure needed to get some positive movement on Dr. Ramadan's behalf – particularly as it pertains to conditions of confinement and medical treatment. But for this to happen it requires a **SOLID COMMITMENT** from concerned justice-oriented folk. Will YOU join us this coming Friday? We look forward to a positive response from the imams, shuyuuk, board members of masjid and centers in the DMV, and fellow activists. Dr. Tariq Ramadan has been a constructive and prominent bridge-building force between east and west. If we cannot raise our voices for someone like him...then who can we raise our voices for?

In the struggle for peace thru justice,

El-Hajj Mauri' Saalakhan, Director of Operations-THE AAFIA FOUNDATION, INC.

Contact: office (301) 441-2300 / mobile: (202) 246-9608 For additional information from a reliable source:
<https://www.facebook.com/FreeTariqRamadanCampaign/> "

2-Legal Updates:

Mumia Abu-Jamal- two powerful articles about his current appeal:

Picture Credit: Associated Press

1. Why my brother, Mumia Abu-Jamal, should be set free. By Keith Cook

"I was stationed in Europe 37 years ago when I received the call that all black families dread. My little brother, Mumia Abu-Jamal, had been shot by the police and was fighting for his life. Mumia was the kindest and gentlest of my five siblings. At the time, he had been working two jobs to support his wife and children and honing his distinctive voice as a radio journalist. He was a rising star, and the pride of our family. Dedicated to truth, Mumia used his radio show to expose police brutality, housing discrimination, and City Hall corruption. Philadelphia magazine had just heralded him as one of "81 People to Watch" and Columbia University had given him the prestigious Major Armstrong Award for his radio editorial on the pope's visit to Philadelphia.

Contemplating the painful reality of black life in America, I flew home immediately. I arrived to a bad situation. My brother lay unconscious, handcuffed to a hospital bed, and accused of killing Daniel Faulkner. Faulkner was a white police officer; my brother a black man on the scene. It seemed that nothing else mattered. The police labeled him a cop killer. Journalists and politicians buried his humanity. And Judge Albert F. Salbo — who, according to a 1992 Inquirer report, presided over 31 cases that resulted in the imposition of the death penalty— convicted and sentenced him to death in the absence of material evidence. The conflicting and recanted testimonies and absence of a motive didn't matter. It didn't matter that four witnesses told police that the shooter fled the scene. Nor did it matter that a Justice Department investigation had just concluded that the level of police corruption "shocks the conscience." Still, Mumia maintained his innocence.

In 1995, an international movement stopped his state execution. In 2011, his death sentence was declared unconstitutional; and now a pending court order demanding that the DA release all the files in his case could open the path to his freedom. In opposition, the officer's widow, Maureen Faulkner, has asserted that the police are victims of the legal system and that the appellate process is a gravy train for criminals. Yet, the incestuous nature of the District Attorney's Office and appellate judges tells a different story. In Philly, prosecutors who convict defendants often become the judges who deny their appeals. This miscarriage of justice brings Mumia to court Monday. He seeks relief on [the basis of Williams v. Pennsylvania](#), where the Supreme Court ruled that one person, Ron Castille, should not be both prosecutor and judge in the same case. I believe [Castille double-dipped in Mumia's case](#). Before he became a Pennsylvania Supreme Court justice, he was Philly's district attorney. As such, Castille helped prosecute Mumia in the city's most famous case. Later, as a judge, he denied Mumia's appeal. In the 1990s, Mumia's lawyers asked for

Castille's recusal. The judge had been funded and named Man of the Year by the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP), an organization invested in Mumia's conviction and execution. He refused to recuse himself.

Despite these violations, [Mrs. Faulkner is calling on elected officials to turn their backs on the constitution and block Mumia's due process](#). Our family empathizes with Mrs. Faulkner's pain. But we regret that the police have manipulated her thirst for vengeance all these years in order to conceal the truth about who killed Officer Faulkner. Photos taken by a freelance photographer, Pedro Polakoff, appear to show police cooking up the crime scene in Mumia's case. In the photos, Officer James Forbes, who testified in court that he properly handled the two guns allegedly retrieved at the scene, is seen holding the weapons with bare hands. In 1995, amidst another scandal of police corruption, then-District Attorney Lynne Abraham told the Legal Intelligencer that her office would "discard any cases where evidence surfaces that even *one* of the officers involved in an investigation lied in court or in written reports." We call on District Attorney Larry Krasner to honor his predecessors' promise and stay true to his own pledge to right the wrongs of his office: Do your part to help free my brother, Mumia."

<http://www.philly.com/philly/opinion/commentary/mumia-abu-jamal-daniel-faulkner-district-attorney-larry-krasner-philadelphia-20180430.html>

2. The question is will Mumia Abu-Jamal be granted a new trial? By Noelle Hanrahan

"Next hearing: Aug. 30th in Judge Leon Tucker's courtroom [11th fl. 1301 Filbert St.](#) Phil PA.

In these battles there is truth, there is the spin, and there is the amnesia the police want you to acquire "I am going to help them fry the nigger", spoken by Albert Sabo, Mumia's trial court judge in 1982. Those are the words that the Fraternal Order of Police, our jack boot folks in blue, would like us to forget. They want us to ignore what everyone knows is at every level of the injustice system: invidious racism and corruption. How could we forget the injustice system that produced Frank Rizzo and Lynne Abraham? We can not forget police officers in open court telling us during Mumia's PCRA hearing in 1995 "we should have executed him that night", quoted in the New York Times.

It is not a legacy, it is our reality. This is what Philadelphia's new DA Larry Krasner has to confront, expose, reform and ultimately abolish.

Remember this is a DA's office that right now has a long list of police officers they can not put on the stand because they are not credible. This is the DA's office that has Judge Ron Castille (the former DA who the U.S. Supreme Court ruled must recuse himself from these types of cases) on its board of advisors.

A Philadelphia common pleas court judge told me "Mumia is the past." Actually he is our future, because if there is no truth and justice there will be no reconciliation. Front, center, and central to Philadelphia's imprisonment binge and racist legacy are the cases of Mumia Abu-Jamal and the MOVE 9. The cops are holding on to these prisoners because their release will reveal and acknowledge the depth of the corruption in their ranks. Check out these two dueling editorials from the Philadelphia Inquirer: [Keith Cook](#)(Mumia's Brother) and [Maureen Faulkner](#) (Police Officer widow).



(Mumia Abu-Jamal and Keith Cook 3/2018)

We must expect justice and demand that the District Attorney and the Courts take this first step towards freedom by immediately reinstating Mumia Abu-Jamal's appellate rights.

[Report From Courtroom of Judge Tucker 4-30-2018](#)

"In its failure to recognize that Ronald Castille played an active role in pursuing the execution of Mumia Abu-Jamal the new District Attorney's office headed by Larry Krasner, is failing to do what justice requires. It is continuing the position of his predecessors, to the satisfaction of the Fraternal Order of Police." Bret Grote, Esq. Abolitionist Law Center Legal Director

Yesterday Tracey Kavanaugh, the Assistant District Attorney assigned to Mumia's case appeared before the court. She represented to Philadelphia Common Pleas Court Judge Leon Tucker that the District Attorney's Office has conducted an extensive search and still has been unable to find the missing memo from then-DA Ronald Castille in which he sought updates on the status of every capital case from Philadelphia in early 1990. She also made clear that the new District Attorney for Philadelphia (sworn in January 2018), Larry Krasner, has kept the same position as his predecessor: that former District Attorney Castille did not have personal involvement in a critical decision in Abu-Jamal's case, and that the Philadelphia DA's office lead by Krasner opposes the pending Post Conviction Relief Application (PCRA) seeking reinstatement of Abu-Jamal's appellate rights. If these rights were reinstated he would be granted a hearing on whether there was sufficient cause to issue an order for a new trial on his criminal conviction. Mumia has spent 37 years in prison for the killing of a police officer in Philadelphia in 1981, a crime for which he has maintained his innocence. He is currently serving a life sentence at SCI Mahanoy in Frackville PA.

Abu-Jamal's counsel, Sam Spital from the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, argued forcefully in court today that Ronald Castille did in fact make a critical decision in the Abu-Jamal case when he advocated to Governor Robert Casey in 1990, that the Governor should expedite the litigation in all capital cases by signing the death warrants at the soonest possible time.

Castille explicitly asked the Governor to do this in the case of Leslie Beasley, who was convicted of killing a police officer, to show to "all police killers that the death penalty means something in Pennsylvania." Mumia was still on direct appeal when Castille made this policy decision to enlist the Governor's support in expediting the litigation by signing of death warrants, meaning that it was the policy of Castille's office to seek the immediate signing of a death warrant upon completion of Abu-Jamal's appeal. We know Castille was actively tracking every capital case in his office, including Abu-Jamal's, and vigorously defending the convictions and sentences and pushing for execution of each capital case defendant, including Abu-Jamal.

Counsel for Abu-Jamal are now permitted to take the deposition of former ADA Gael Barthold McLaughlin, and will file an amended PCRA by July 9. The DA has been ordered to respond to that filing by August 9. The next hearing in this matter is scheduled for August 30 in Judge Tucker's courtroom in Philadelphia.

Cuando luchamos ganamos, When We Fight, We Win."



for Prison Radio.

<https://jerichony.org/mumias-day-in-court?e=bce6835d89>

-MOVE Parole Update: ONA MOVE

Today it was brought to our attention by Our Brother Eddie Africa that Guards at SCI Mahanoy did a thorough search of his cell. Upon their search, guards confiscated several letters written to Eddie by Fellow MOVE Political Prisoner Janet Africa, who has authorized approval from the superintendent of her prison to write Eddie and Eddie as well has approval from his prison to write Janet. So why all of a sudden is an issue being made of this now?

We have our suspicions over this issue. Our Sister Janet is due to see The Parole Board on May 15th and we don't know what's going on for sure, but this may be a tool they will use to try to deny parole for Janet. At this point the pressure is on over the issue of MOVE and parole and these officials have been backed into a corner with no way out. We are just putting this out for people to be on post because there is some underhanded treachery going on here.

ONA MOVE Orie

-Jalil Muntaqim-Parole hearing Summer/Fall 2018

We want to bring Anthony Jalil Bottom back to his family and community. Mr. Bottom has been in prison since 1971, possibly for a crime he did not commit. Despite the fact that Mr. Bottom has an exemplary record, has mentored youth both inside and outside, has earned two degrees and written two books, he has been turned down for parole nine times. In June 2018, Mr. Bottom will be facing the Parole Board for the tenth time. It is way past time for Mr. Bottom to come home, as he should have been released in 2002, having served his full twenty-five year minimum. It will take the power of the people to free Mr. Bottom, as the PBA and the FOP are constantly waging a campaign for his continued imprisonment. You can find out more about Jalil Muntaqim (Anthony Bottom) on his website:

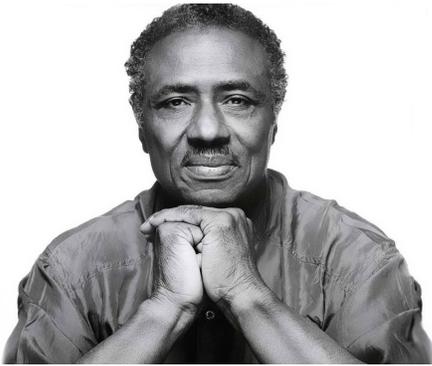
<http://www.freejalil.com/> Please sign the Petition!

[https://www.change.org/p/tina-m-stanford-release-anthony-bottom-jalil-muntaqim-77a4283-on-parole-in-june-2018?](https://www.change.org/p/tina-m-stanford-release-anthony-bottom-jalil-muntaqim-77a4283-on-parole-in-june-2018?recruiter=5078994&utm_source=share_petition&utm_medium=copylink&utm_campaign=share_petition)

[recruiter=5078994&utm_source=share_petition&utm_medium=copylink&utm_campaign=share_petition](https://www.change.org/p/tina-m-stanford-release-anthony-bottom-jalil-muntaqim-77a4283-on-parole-in-june-2018?recruiter=5078994&utm_source=share_petition&utm_medium=copylink&utm_campaign=share_petition)

-Seth Hayes-Seth has a Parole Hearing June 2018. Please support efforts to bring him home. Petition to be announced.

-Herman Bell: Herman's release was not without a fight. He was released on April 27th 2018. Welcome home comrade!



On Friday, April 27, Herman Bell, a 70-year-old respected elder, was released after serving nearly 45 years in prison. Herman was one of thousands of incarcerated older people who was repeatedly denied parole for over a decade after completing his minimum sentence.

His release is a result of important and urgent changes in the criminal legal system and parole regulations that are part of nationwide efforts to end mass incarceration. Let us hope that Herman's release brings inspiration for more change.

Herman is deeply humbled and grateful for the broad expressions of trust and support, but out of respect for the feelings of the victims' families, he will not be making any public statements. We welcome him home.

-Ruchell Magee

As our brother heads for a parole hearing please show him your support. Please write Ruchell at: Ruchell Cinque Magee, A-92051, B3-270, P.O. Box 8101, San Luis Obispo, CA 93409. "Prisoners' supporters can learn a new education regarding the Parole Board's operation by focusing on who carries the most weight – the federal judges or the racists controlling the Parole Board when it comes to public safety and the law. The Board commissioners know the impact of my release would end the loophole hiding the jury's acquittal.

Peoples concerned can write a plain letter to: Board of Parole Hearings, CMC-1 Hwy, Office of the Board, San Luis Obispo, CA 93409. Your letter must be titled: File No. A92051, Magee, R. Make a plain claim that Ruchell has a three-judge order right to release – as opposed to whether the Board should or should not find him suitable based on loopholes and a misplaced sense of fair play.

People's lives are worth more than racists' lip-service about protecting the public.

I remain, Ruchell Cinque Magee"

<http://sfbayview.com/2018/03/ruchell-magee-longest-held-political-prisoner-in-the-world-heads-to-parole-hearing/>

-Nearly 500 Palestinians jailed without charge or trial continue boycott of Israeli courts for 68 days. 23 April 2018

Nearly 500 Palestinian prisoners held without charge or trial under administrative detention orders are continuing their boycott of Israeli courts for the 68th day as of 23 April. They launched their boycott on 15 February, refusing to participate in the hearings that serve as a rubber stamp of the orders for their imprisonment without charge or trial that come from the Israeli military and security forces. Please read full article at: <http://samidoun.net/2018/04/nearly-500-palestinians-jailed-without-charge-or-trial-continue-boycott-of-israeli-courts-for-68-days/>

-ONA MOVE-Parole Hearings

"In May 2018 Janet, Janine, and Debbie Africa all will be making yet another appearance before The Pennsylvania Parole Board. In 2016 all three of the women were denied parole and given a two year hit, despite having excellent conduct records, home and employment plans, and once again the recommendation of the prison administration for parole. The Move 9 have been eligible for parole for ten years now, all of them with the recommendation of The prison Administration of their respective institutions. 99 percent of inmates in Pennsylvania are paroled when given the recommendation of prison officials; however The Move 9 are not included in that 99 percent .

For a ten year period from 2008 to 2018 The Pa Parole Board has carried out the plan of this government and that's to punish MOVE and to ensure that MOVE Members die in prison . We have seen the example with the murder of Phil Africa during the parole process and THEIR CONTINUED PLAN IS INDEED FOR THE REST OF THE MOVE 9 TO DIE IN PRISON . Despite the fact that Governor Wolf has made changes to the parole board under public pressure we are not fooled over the fact that he has Social Workers, Counselors, etc on the board. These people are still under the orders of The Fraternal Order Of Police, who are calling the shots On MOVE and parole bottom line .

The Fraternal Order Of Police has not only played The Main Role of our family being denied but the overall court process of parole being rescinded for political prisoners across the board . Sundiata Acoli was ordered to be paroled by court order. Police unions challenged this all the way to higher courts to keep him from being released and they were successful. Veronza Bowers was due to be released on mandatory Federal Parole in 2004 only to have the gates closed on him due to intervention by The Fraternal Order Of Police. Most Recently Herman Bell was granted parole in New York State but police unions have interjected and now parole may be rescinded .

At this point people should have no illusions about this system being fair and wanting to do right by people. It's time to roll up our sleeves and work even harder; as we do not have an official date for the parole hearings for our sisters, we are starting to let the parole board know our feelings on this. On Monday April 9th we are asking people to contact The Parole Board and Stress That we want immediate parole for The Move 9 Sisters. Based on their records and accomplishments they are perfect candidates for parole and this is what we want people to stress for:

Janet Holloway Africa 006308 Janine Phillips Africa 006309 Debbie Sims. Africa 006307

9:00 am to 11:15 am Call (717) 772-4343

11:30am to 12:30 pm Tweet @Paparole

12:45 pm to 2:00pm Fax (717) 772-4375

2:05 pm to 4:45 pm Email Ra-pbpopc@Pa.gov

ONA MOVE The Justice And Accountability Campaign-For More Info People Can Go To

Justice For The Move 9/Facebook-[Www.onamove.com](http://www.onamove.com)

-The International Leonard Peltier Defense Committee-Leonard's Legal Team Under Attack

“Dear Friends, Supporters and Family;

I had planned to send out our bi-weekly newsletter Saturday after I had my legal visit with Leonard. I always want him to have a chance to send you his personal thoughts and greetings. However, I didn't get to visit Leonard as after filing my papers and stating I was there for a legal visit I was asked to turn my pockets out and be tested for illegal substances. I didn't think anything about the request and the machine indicated a positive response! I said it must be a mistake as I had just washed and pressed my pants for the visit. The officer said he would clear the machine and re-swab my pockets, and again it indicated a positive response and I was denied a visit and told to wait for the Lt. for further information.

I was very upset and explained that I did not do drugs or smoke any illegal substances and that my office/house was a Drug Free Zone. In about 40 minutes the Lt. came out and said due to a double positive I would be denied visitation with Leonard for 30 days. I told him what I had told the officer and the Lt. said Oh we don't think you do drugs nor are we implying that you do. But you could have come in contact with some dirty money of been in a gas station or someplace where drugs might have been. You may visit Mr. Peltier after 5/22. As soon as I left the prison I called our lawyer, Mr. David Frankel and explained what had happened.

Mr. Frankel is very concerned as this is the second time (Jan. 21, 2018) in 3 months that this has happened when I went to see Leonard on a legal visit. Frankel feels I am being targeted as way to disrupt communication between Leonard and his legal team. It is impossible for Frankel to travel on an ongoing basis from his office to the prison. And my role as his paralegal is to be the person that maintains the communication between him and Leonard.

Needless to say, Leonard was very upset and agrees with Frankel that his legal team is being targeted. And we are working on strategies to counteract this attack. We will keep you up dated as this progresses forward. We appreciate your continued support for Leonard during this stressful time.

In Struggle”

-Dareen Tatour convicted for poetry: Take action to demand justice and freedom for Palestine

“An Israeli court in Nazareth convicted Palestinian poet Dareen Tatour of “incitement” and “support for terror” for posting on Facebook and creating a poetry video on Thursday, 3 May. The conclusion of the trial – in an Israeli civil court – came after years of a lengthy trial and years of house arrest and confinement for the 36-year-old Palestinian poet. According to Yoav Haifawi, reporting from the court, “The judge wrote that if Tatour mentioned Palestinian innocent victims in her poetry ‘any reasonable person can only understand this as incitement to violent revenge.” Please see full article at:

<http://samidoun.net/2018/05/dareen-tatour-convicted-for-poetry-take-action-to-demand-justice-and-freedom-for-palestine/>

- Romaine “Chip” Fitzgerald

Former Black Panther Romaine ‘Chip’ Fitzgerald seeks parole after 49 years behind bars

May 1, 2018 by Ann Garrison

“On April 26, former Black Panther Herman Bell was released from prison in New York State after 45 years. That leaves at least 10 surviving members of the Black Panther Party behind bars, including Romaine “Chip” Fitzgerald, who is currently held at the California State Prison-Los Angeles. His next parole hearing is scheduled for May 4. Fitzgerald was convicted of murdering a security guard and attempting to murder a highway patrolman after he and fellow Panthers were stopped for a broken tail light in 1969. He pled innocent at the time but has since changed that plea to “no contest.” He has spent 49 years behind bars, more time than any other former Panther. I spoke to his friend Arthur League, a former Panther who lives in the San Francisco Bay Area....” For full article please see:

<http://sfbayview.com/2018/05/former-black-panther-romaine-chip-fitzgerald-seeks-parole-after-49-years-behind-bars/>

3-Family/Community/Supporters & Calls for Action

-ONA MOVE, Everybody!

“Once again the month of May is approaching quickly. As always, our MOVE family and many many others will never allow May 13th to go by without calling attention to the vicious unjustifiable murder of innocent MOVE

men, women, children & animals, particularly when system officials have yet to address the REAL reason for murdering our MOVE family members. For those who don't know, that reason is our unrelenting uncompromising fight for the release of our innocent family members known as The MOVE 9. They have been unjustly imprisoned 40 years this year when they are innocent and should never have been imprisoned at all. I'm attaching flyers for 2 activities scheduled for this May. Both events are free. We urge you to join us and discover what YOU can do to demand the release of The MOVE 9. Bring your children and grandchildren so they can learn the TRUTH. Hope to see you there."

The OneLove  MoveMent Tour
 1st Stop

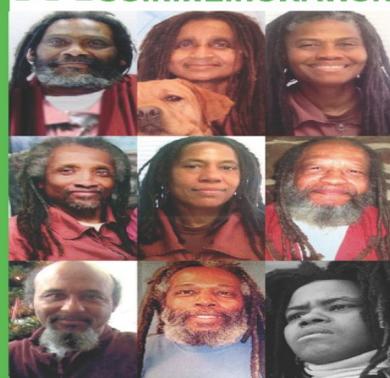


MAY 6, 2018
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
 The Perelman Building 2525 Pennsylvania Ave.
 Doors  Open At 2:00pm

For More Information Contact:
 Ramona (267) 408-7802
 Bro. RaeKwon (916) 893-8926



MOVE MAY 13TH 2018
 COMMEMORATION



Free the MOVE 9

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 MAY 11**
 5 - 8 pm
 free admission
**THE
 AFRICAN-AMERICAN
 MUSEUM**
 7th and Arch St.
 Philadelphia 19106

For more info
 contact 215.386.1165
 or email us at
 onamovellja@gmail.com




Children of the MOVE family remember the MOVE 9 during dedication of new marker on Osage Ave., June 2017. They stand with photos of MOVE members who have been incarcerated for 38 years. Photograph by Ed Hillie onamove.com

-Pastor's for Peace (IFCO)

"We want to make sure that Congress makes Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands a priority in 2018. They need fair and equal treatment now.

Call the Capitol switchboard at [202-224-3121](tel:202-224-3121) and ask your elected Congressperson and Senators to:

- 1•Provide Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands with adequate disaster relief funding.
- 2•Increase Medicaid funding for the islands.
- 3•Since the now-passed tax reform legislation treats Puerto Rico as a foreign jurisdiction, tell Congress they must remedy that immediately as well making tax benefits and incentives like the Child Tax Credit and Earned Income Tax Credit available for Puerto Rico's working families."

SIGN THESE PETITIONS

https://act.credoaction.com/sign/sanders_puerto_rico

<https://petitions.moveon.org/sign/help-puerto-rico-obtain>

<https://petitions.moveon.org/sign/congress-forgive-puerto>

<http://petitions.moveon.org/keystoneprogress/sign/avoid-a-humanitarian>

<https://petitions.moveon.org/sign/support-the-sanders-plan>

-The June 11th International Day of Solidarity with Marius Mason & All Long-Term Anarchist Prisoners is coming up, and we're reaching out to groups and individuals around the world to see who would be interested in organizing events. June 11th has, for over a decade now, been an important point of generating solidarity for our comrades who are serving long sentences in prison. Every year, people all around the globe organize benefits, informational events, picnics, shows, and actions to show that even decades in prison cannot stop the flame of solidarity from burning brightly. If you are interested in organizing an event, please send us information

at june11th@riseup.net. If you can think of other people or projects who would be interested in this, please forward it to them. We hope that this year's June 11th will be one for the history books.

Hope you all are well, carla-june 11th organizing collective june11.org You can read our 2018 callout here:

<https://june11.noblogs.org/post/2018/04/07/june-11-2018-a-day-against-oblivion/>

4-Writings/Statements/Interviews & News:

-Tribute by Jericho Comrade Khalid Abdullah

"The following is a list of our 'fallen champions' who lost their lives in the service of our People/Nation during this month.

May we honor them, in 'the cause of Truth and Justice', by paying the highest tribute we can give by bringing the struggle for which they sacrificed their lives to a satisfactory conclusion. And may we do so as an act of devotion, obedience, reverence, service, submission, surrender to, and worship of, our Creator... and as an exercise of Love for; and service to, the People.

Bobby James Hutton. Affectionately known as Lil' Bobby Hutton, born April 25, 1950. He was the #rst person to join the Black Panther Party. He joined when he was sixteen when the Party was founded in 1966. He served as finance coordinator. He was one of the Panthers arrested on May 2, 1967, at the Sacramento legislature protest where Bobby Seale read the Party's position on self-defense for oppressed people. Bobby was murdered two days after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr., by dozens of Oakland police. He was unarmed, but with utmost courage, sacrificed his life so others might live. assassinated April 6, 1968.

Sam Napier. Circulation manager, BPP. Lived and breathed the Black Panther newspaper. He would constantly intone, "Circulate to educate to liberate." Sam was another casualty of the internal split of the BPP. Fanon talked of the contradictions in Wretched of the Earth when he referred to colonial war and mental disorders. Oftentimes we lose sight of who our real enemies are and give vent to our emotional responses. In the deaths of Robert Webb and Sam

Napier, the people's liberation struggle lost two of its staunchest supporters. Psychologically, COINTELPRO scored a bull's eye. Sam died April 17, 1971.

Steve Bartholomew, twenty-one; Robert Lawrence, twenty-two; and Tommy Lewis, eighteen. They were riding in a car when they noticed they were being followed by a Los Angeles police squad car. they stopped at a gas station so that any incident could be witnessed. The squad car stopped also. As Steve was getting out of the car a volley of police gunfire killed him instantly. The Panthers returned fire and Robert was killed. Tommy died later at Los Angeles Central Receiving Hospital from peritonitis (severe intestinal inflammation) caused by stomach wounds and loss of blood. assassinated August 25, 1968”

-Historic Meeting: “On April 19, 2018 a historic meeting took place at Sullivan Correctional Facility in New York State when **Lenny Foster of the International Indian Treaty Council and the American Indian Movement (AIM) met with former Black Panther Party/Black Liberation Army members Jalil Muntaqim, co-founder of the Jericho Amnesty Movement, and Robert Seth Hayes.** Both men are still incarcerated, each having served more than 45 years in prison. This is a renewal of ties between AIM and the BPP/BLA, so we look forward to working in close collaboration in the future, especially on the [Spirit of Nelson Mandela International Campaign](#). Unfortunately, the photographer had a callout and had to leave the visiting room, so we were unable to have a picture of Lenny with Seth. Hopefully, Lenny will be able to visit Seth and Jalil together on his next visit.”



-David Gilbert: Still-Imprisoned 1968 Columbia Student Strike Committee Leader David Gilbert's "Memories of the Columbia Strike" <https://bfeldman68.blogspot.com/2018/04/still-imprisoned-1968-columbia-student.html>

-New Federal Prison Policies May Put Books and Email on Ice. Very important article about restrictions in the BOP, including books and stating that no person can be on more than one prisoner's email list. <https://injusticetoday.com/new-federal-prison-policies-may-put-books-and-email-on-ice-5464b6156f83>

-On Palestinian Prisoner's Day the Boycott Remains Defiant “Occupied Ramallah, 17 April 2018 – On the occasion of Palestinian Prisoners Day, Addameer Prisoner Support and Human Rights Association salutes the continued struggle of the over 6,000 Palestinian political prisoners currently being held in Israeli prisons. Every year Israel arrests thousands of Palestinians in an attempt to suppress the will to self-determination and continue its colonization. The result: approximately 800,000 Palestinians arrested since 1967. As of 1 March 2018 there were 6050 Palestinian political prisoners being held in Israeli prisons. This includes 427 administrative detainees; 356 children; 62 female prisoners; and 7 members of the Palestinian Legislative Council. The situation of the prisoners continues to deteriorate as they face a continued campaign of violations and suppression. Detainees and prisoners, including children and women, continue to suffer from ill-treatment and torture on a systematic basis. These policies have resulted in the death of 72 prisoners from torture since 1967. On this occasion, we at Addameer reiterate our total support for the ongoing boycott of all court proceedings regarding administrative detention. The commitment of the prisoners and their lawyers has been unwavering since the action began on 15 February 2018. To read the rest of the article, please see: <http://www.addameer.org/news/palestinian-prisoners-day-boycott-remains-defiant>

-PEN America Prison Writing Program Fellowship-opportunity for writer's and for our PP's/POW's. Over more than four decades [PEN America's Prison Writing Program](#) has amplified the writing of thousands of imprisoned writers by providing free resources, skilled mentors, and audiences for their writing. We are proud to share our deepening commitment to confronting our era of mass incarceration with the launch of the [PEN America Writing For Justice Fellowship](#). The 12 month-long [Writing For Justice Fellowships](#) will commission writers to create written works of lasting merit that illuminate critical issues related to mass incarceration and catalyze public debate. The aim is to harness the power of writers and writing in bearing witness to the societal consequences by capturing and sharing the stories of incarcerated individuals, their families, communities, and the wider impact of the criminal justice system. Our goal is to ignite a broad, sustained conversation about the dangers of over-incarceration, and the imperative to mobilize behind rational and humane policies. As an organization of writers dedicated to promoting free expression and informed discourse, PEN America is honored to have been entrusted by the Art for Justice Fund to engage the literary community in addressing this pressing societal issue. Fellows may be emerging or established writers, working in fiction, non-fiction and journalism, poetry, drama, or mixed genres. Fellows will receive an honorarium of \$10,000, and may request up to \$5,000 in additional funding for travel and research. In addition to financial support, Fellows may choose to be paired with a mentor to serve as a source of guidance for the project, and the cohort will convene in person twice during the course of the Fellowship. PEN America will draw on the expertise of the members of Writing for Justice Advisory Committee, as well as our network of agents, editors, publishers, partner organizations and outlets in order to assist efforts for publication and dissemination of the work of the Fellows. Opportunities for sharing the created work through public forums will be organized in New York City at the PEN World Voices Festival, the Fellow's home community, and possibly additional locations. The best [Writing For Justice Fellowship](#) applications will demonstrate how the proposed project plans to engage on issues of reform, fuel public debate, and facilitate the possibility of societal change. **Currently and formerly incarcerated writers are highly encouraged to apply, and special provisions will be made for incarcerated writers to participate through alternative methods.** We invite you to [review the full Fellowship overview](#), application requirements, and FAQs on our website. We hope you will share the Fellowship announcement with your community, consider applying, and encourage promising candidates in your network to apply. Our application portal opens April 15, and applications will be accepted until July 1st.

https://pen.org/prison-writing/?utm_source=Communications&utm_campaign=e2a989d1fa-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_03_13&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_c67d07604c-e2a989d1fa-248691969&mc_cid=e2a989d1fa&mc_eid=f660689023

-Message from Ahmad Sa'adat, PFLP Political Prisoner, to Jericho 20th Anniversary

**Popular Front for the
Liberation of Palestine**



نيطسلف ريرحتل تيعشنا تهيجنا

Dear activists and organizers of the Jericho Movement,

From the Zionist prisons, we send our warmest and most heartfelt greetings of solidarity across the miles to your gathering, and to the imprisoned brothers and sisters in U.S. imperialist jails who continue to be denied their freedom through long years of struggle.

We raise our fists of solidarity to salute the Black Liberation organizers and other political prisoners who continue to struggle today in the belly of the beast. From Ansar to Attica, the prison has been used by the colonizer and the oppressor to try to break our will, but these names resonate throughout time because, here, the oppressed have risen to confront their oppressor.

Whether in Palestine, the United States, the Philippines, Turkey or anywhere in the world, political prisoners are not individuals only; instead, they are organizers and leaders of our entire movements that face a neverending struggle to break down the walls and chains that seek to divide us from our people. Torture, isolation and solitary confinement are some of the means of the jailer and the occupier to break our will - and yet, resistance continues.

To defend political prisoners, to struggle for their freedom and to be part of the causes for which they are imprisoned, is to defend resistance. The right of oppressed people to defend themselves is always under the fiercest and most violent attack from the forces of capitalism, Zionism and imperialism, represented by their police and military forces. They may label us terrorists and criminals, but it is clear that the perpetrators of the most massive crimes and acts of terror against humanity are those who oversee the prisons and entire systems of injustice that continue to oppress and exploit our people.

Political imprisonment attempts to make us invisible; the work of the Jericho movement helps to make our voices visible and clear, rejecting all of the attempts of the jailers and oppressors to silence us and isolate us from the people. However, despite all of those efforts and all of their force, political prisoners continue to be leaders in the struggle against racism, imperialism and colonialism. We know that the prisoners of the Palestinian struggle also face imprisonment around the world - from the Holy Land Five in U.S. prisons to Georges Abdallah in French prisons for 34 years.

Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine + Web: pflp.ps + English: pflp.ps/english

5-Requests

-Survivors of Lucasville Uprising denied phone calls and threatened with solitary to censor them April 22, 2018 by Azzurra Crispino with Greg Curry

Youngstown, Ohio – The recent prison uprising in South Carolina is often described as the deadliest in 25 years, referencing the Lucasville Uprising, which began on April 11, 1993, and lasted 11 days and took the lives of nine prisoners and one correctional officer. This week is the 25th anniversary of the 1993 Lucasville uprising, which is being “celebrated” by correctional officers by silencing the survivors of that riot, some of whom were framed for murder while the prisoners responsible for the violence were able to plead out and avoid punishment. Greg Curry has long maintained his innocence regarding the Lucasville Uprising, but was nevertheless convicted of murder. He has been asking all of his supporters to raise awareness of the Lucasville Uprising during this anniversary. Unable to legally censor the survivors of the Lucasville Uprising who are in general population, the prison has recently denied Greg phone calls.

According to Greg’s long-time romantic partner, he was able to get a visit from his mother but has had his JPay access and phone calls suspended “indefinitely.” “This is so unusual. Greg and I talk every day and email every day. EVERY day.” She also let us know that Greg, who was recently released from administrative segregation, is facing another trip to the hole in what can only be described as an attempt by Ohio State Penitentiary to silence him from speaking out about what really happened at Lucasville 25 years ago.

Greg writes, “In 2017, the state lost an important battle on that front. The five prisoners held at Ohio’s Supermax (for 20 years) are now allowed to do face-to-face interviews. All month long we will be shining light on the brutal treatment inside the prison and biased treatment in the judicial process.” Greg, who was recently released from administrative segregation, is facing another trip to the hole in what can only be described as an attempt by Ohio State Penitentiary to silence him from speaking out about what really happened at Lucasville 25 years ago. In other words, Greg and others were planning on doing interviews, but have been stopped by the inability to access the phones and are being threatened with more time in the hole for speaking out about the injustices in the judicial process they have suffered. As **Imam Siddique Abdullah Hasan** stated in his recent interview regarding the Lucasville Uprising, “Part of the 21-point agreement, that no inmate or group of inmates would be singled out for retaliatory action, that was not the case” and we can infer this continues not to be the case. The prisoners agreed to surrender because of this 21-point agreement, but 25 years later, it is not being followed.

Since Greg cannot speak for himself, it is time for us to speak out on his behalf and join survivors in remembering the Lucasville Uprising.

Write to Greg: Greg Curry, 213-159, Ohio State Penitentiary, 878 Coitsville-Hubbard Rd., Youngstown, Ohio 44505.

Donate to his legal fund at https://fundrazr.com/GregCurryLegalFund?ref=em_a7C8d3_ab_4GJn2200Hiy4GJn2200Hiy.

Since Greg cannot speak for himself, it is time for us to speak out on his behalf and join survivors in remembering the Lucasville Uprising.

And write the other survivors of the Lucasville Uprising here:

<http://www.lucasvilleamnesty.org/p/contact.html>.

Contact Azzurra Crispino of PAPS Texas at iheartpaps@gmail.com and visit PAPS Texas at <https://papstexas.blogspot.com/>.

-The International Leonard Peltier Defense Committee

"Greetings, Friends and Family, Happily I can report that the 3 week lockdown has been lifted and Sheridan (Leonard’s investigator) and I were finally able to visit. We have been pursuing legal representation for Leonard’s application for compassionate release, exploring parole hearing options, as well as options for reopening his case. After 43 years of unlawful confinement, we realize how stretched his loyal supporters are. We know that many of Leonard’s supporters have their own personal struggles. Leonard has always been pained to know the sacrifices so many of you have made to support his cause, which we all know is bigger than he, alone. He has always prayed to find a way to express his gratitude in a meaningful way to you who have stood by him.

And so, we have some exciting news to share with you. We have affiliated with a company that can create some significant income for Leonard’s legal fund and at the same time contribute substantially to all his supporters. Not only is this opportunity a win-win situation for all of you who choose to participate and our organization

but also this company's mission is in line with Native American values. The company is called Live Green and its mission is to make eating healthy and living eco-friendly lifestyles affordable with savings from 20 – 65% over retail costs on products you already use or would prefer to use! Live Green has free shipping from their wholesale Green Market, plus trees are planted with every transaction. Live Green's goal is to plant 20 million trees by 2020. The company is also affiliated with over 500 retail companies where you already shop like Walmart, Target, Macy's, Amazon, Best Buy, PetSmart, Travelocity etc. with all products at savings and/or with cash back.

Rather than trying to explain how it works, the Board asks if you could make a commitment to check out www.trylivegreen.life/ilpdc. Our gift to you is a free 14 day trial membership which will provide a 20 -65% discount from retail on the more than 23,000 products which support a healthy lifestyle. When you see how this works, we hope you will take advantage of a membership which will support your family's health as well as Leonard's legal defense team and reforestation of mother earth. There are two events happening this weekend that I want to let you know about; A Film Festival in Philly and a Pow Wow in Norman, OK. Enjoy and please stop by the Peltier Table and see our new merchandise."

-The Jericho Movement: is seeking doctors or nurses to volunteer a few hours of their time.

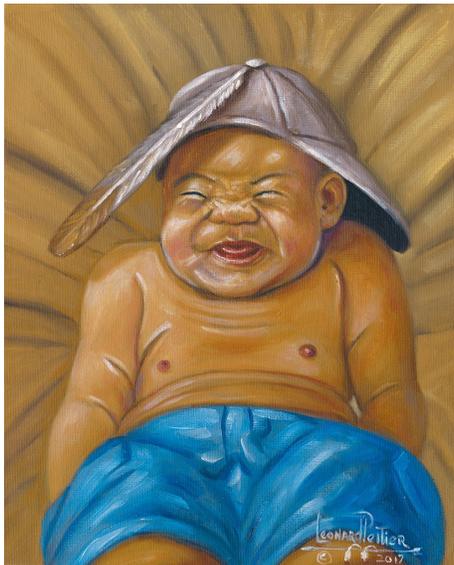
-The International Leonard Peltier Defense Committee

"Purchase a Beautiful One of a Kind Painting

The International Leonard Peltier Defense Committee has a unique collection of Leonard's beautiful artwork available for purchase. Every piece that is created will be an absolute investment and will be a part of history for all time to come. Take the time to see the collection. Majority of the funds go for legal purposes to continue the ongoing fight for Leonard's much deserved freedom.

We also have prints available for purchase and T-shirts in our shop."

<https://www.whoisleonardpeltier.info/storefront/>



-Call for Art and Article Submissions: Health/Care:

What: A call for art and article submissions on Health/Care for the 2019 Certain Days: Freedom for Political Prisoners Calendar.

Deadline: May 18, 2018 **The Certain Days: Freedom for Political Prisoners Calendar collective**

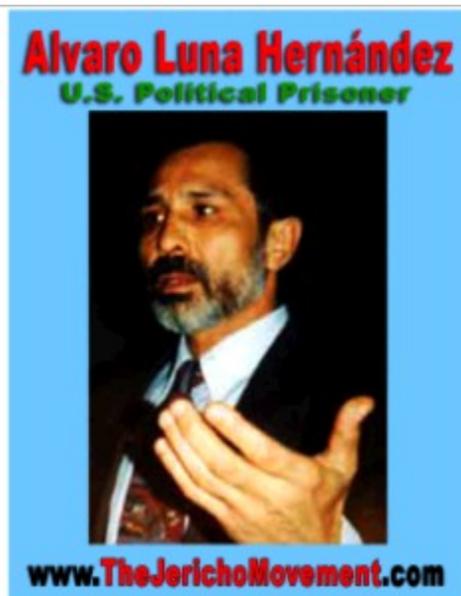
(www.certaindays.org) is releasing its 18th calendar this coming fall. The theme for 2019 is 'Health/Care,' reflecting on the overlapping topics of health, care/caring, and healthcare.

We are looking for 12 works of art and 12 short articles to feature in the calendar, which hangs in more than 3,000 homes, workplaces, prison cells, and community spaces around the world.

We encourage contributors to submit both new and existing work. We also seek submissions from prisoners – please forward to any prison-based artists and writers. Please see: <https://www.certaindays.org/contact/callout/>

BIRTHDAYS IN MAY:

Please send a card to let our Freedom Fighters know they are not forgotten!



HERNANDEZ, ALVARO LUNA

Chicano Political Prisoner

Contact Information

Prison Address: #255735 James V Allred Unit, 2101 FM,
369 North Iowa Park, TX 76367 United States

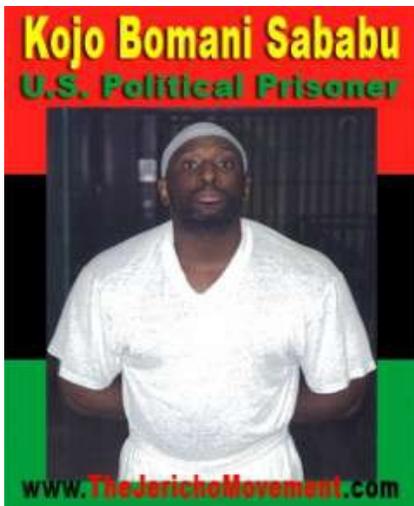
Birthday: May 12, 1952

Affiliation: Chicano Political Prisoner

Captured: July 18, 1996: 50 years sentence. IN PRISON 22 YEARS

Alvaro Luna Hernandez is a political prisoner of the State of Texas and the U.S. government. He is nearly 22 years into a 50 year prison sentence for an "aggravated assault" conviction stemming from a July 1996 incident in which he disarmed a Brewster County Sheriff attempting to shoot him. Alvaro vehemently denies the charge that he assaulted the Sheriff. To Mexican-Americans in the cities, slums, plains, deserts, and prison cages of the Southwest, he is a civil rights hero, a Chicano freedom fighter true to his barrio roots and eternally fearless in the face of injustice. For years, he has been internationally recognized by amnesty movements and human rights lawyers and experts as a U.S. political prisoner, yet inside the United States, the name Alvaro Luna Hernandez remains largely elusive on the lips of progressives and social justice advocates.

<http://FreeAlvaro.net> LET FREEDOM RING-WWW.KERSPLEBEDED.COM/letfreedomring.html



BROWN, GRAILING KOJO

Affiliation: Black Liberation Army

Captured: 1975: Life

IN PRISON 43 YRS

Contact Information

Prison Address: #39384-066 USP Canaan

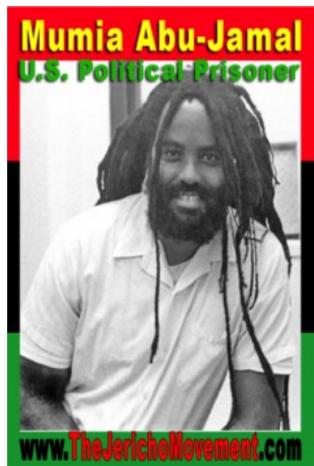
P. O. Box 300, Waymart, PA 18472 United States

Birthday: May 27th

BIRTHDAYS THAT WERE IN APRIL

(Please send a card, a belated birthday wish would be so appreciated!!)

1. Mumia Abu Jamal -Birthday-April 24th 1954



Black Panther Party – Move

Contact Information

Prison Address

#AM 8335 SCI- Mahanoy

Frackville, PA 17932

United States

Affiliation: Black Panther Party, MOVE

Captured: 1981-Life without parole

36 YEARS IN PRISON

“Very few people in prison have voices that go beyond the wall. It's my job to do the work for them because they have no one.” FreeMumia.com Author U.S. Prisoner

2. CHARLES SIMS AFRICA -Birthday: April 2nd, 1956



MOVE POLITICAL PRISONER

Contact Information

Prison Address

#AM4975--SCI Dallas

1000 Follies Road, Drawer K

Dallas, PA 18612-0286

United States

Affiliation: MOVE

Captured 1978: sentenced to 30 to 100 years

40 YEARS IN PRISON

I meet MOVE in 1973, and the things that I heard stayed with me for the rest of my life. My introduction to JOHN AFRICA'S GUIDELINES, opened my mind up to actually use it and question the nor, the constraints of every day life, the lies, the hidden truths in a world of constant dishonesty.”

U.S. Prisoner

For more information on the MOVE 9 see:

<http://onamove.com> and <http://move9parole.blogspot.com>

3. DELBERT ORR AFRICA -Birthday: April 2nd 1956



MOVE POLITICAL PRISONER

Contact Information

Prison Address

#AM4985--SCI Dallas

1000 Follies Road, Drawer K

Dallas, PA 18612-0286

United States

Affiliation: MOVE

Captured: 1978.

IN PRISON 40 YEARS

“I would like to put one thing out there about the need for everybody to join this revolution. We always speak of JOHN AFRICA'S revolution, we speak of that only in terms of people knowing that this impetus for giving US the

direction the drive to carry on this, but the main thing we always stress is THIS IS FOR EVERYBODY! ...So what we're doing is necessary for everybody to do on what ever level they can do it on!"

U.S. Prisoner

For more information on the MOVE 9 see <http://onamove.com> and <http://move9parole.blogspot.com>

4. JANET HOLLOWAY AFRICA-Birthday: April 13, 1951



MOVE POLITICAL PRISONER

Contact information: Prison Address:

AFRICA, JANET HOLLOWAY

#006308--451 Fullerton Ave,

Cambridge Springs, PA 16403-1238

Affiliation: MOVE

Captured: 1978.

IN PRISON 40 YEARS

“I would like to put one thing out there about the need for everybody to join this revolution. We always speak of JOHN AFRICA’S revolution, we speak of that only in terms of people knowing that this impetus for giving US the direction the drive to carry on this, but the main thing we always stress is THIS IS FOR EVERYBODY! ...So what we’re doing is necessary for everybody to do on what ever level they can do it on!”

U.S. Prisoner

For more information on the MOVE 9 see <http://onamove.com> and <http://move9parole.blogspot.com>

5. JANINE PHILLIPS AFRICA-Birthday April 25th, 1956

MOVE POLITICAL PRISONER

Contact Information



Prison Address

#006309--451 Fullerton Ave

Cambridge Springs, PA 16403-1238

United States

Captured: 1978. In Prison 40 Years

“On the MOVE! I’m Janine Africa, Minister of Education for the MOVE Organization. I’ve been in MOVE since 1973. I’m one of the MOVE Nine. We all were sentenced to 30-100 years for a crime we didn’t commit. This system gave us these life sentences to try to stop MOVE. Since they didn’t kill us when they attacked us August 8th, 1978, they figured they could stop MOVE by putting us in prison for the rest of our lives. But just like this system’s guns, bombs, police, tear gas, deluge guns haven’t stopped MOVE people from being committed to our

belief, to JOHN AFRICA's Teaching, neither will this system's prisons. If I have to be in prison for the rest of my life, I will still stay committed to JOHN AFRICA's Teaching because of all JOHN AFRICA is doing for me. I met MOVE people when I was 17 years old. They were having a demonstration and I just happened to be passing by. I stopped to see what was going on, I listened to them speak and what really caught my attention was the strength, confidence, and assertiveness of the MOVE women. They were everything I wasn't and all I could think about was that I wanted to be like them. After the demonstration, I approached some of the MOVE women and asked who they were. They told me they were the MOVE Organization and explained to me what the organization's belief is. They invited me to come to their weekly study sessions they held to teach people about JOHN AFRICA's Teaching. I started going to these study sessions regularly and listening to the information from MOVE's Guidelines and I could hear that what JOHN AFRICA teach is the truth, is right. JOHN AFRICA's Teaching is what I've been looking for because I was just like everybody else in the system, unhappy, riddled with problems, and desperately looking elsewhere for the solution to these problems. My search stopped with JOHN AFRICA.

I had a baby and got married when I was very young. I didn't know how to be a mother or a wife and trying to be both was driving me to a nervous breakdown. I developed a condition where my throat would close up on me and I couldn't eat. I went from doctor to doctor, hospital to hospital and none of them could do anything for me. I was at the end of my rope until I met MOVE. I joined MOVE and started living JOHN AFRICA's Teaching. JOHN AFRICA cured the condition with my throat and made me a good loving mother and wife, and made me a loyal sister to my MOVE family. JOHN AFRICA gave me strength, health, security and confidence that I've never had! LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA FOREVER! I will never leave MOVE and give up all that JOHN AFRICA as given me, even if it means being in prison for 30-100 years!

LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA'S REVOLUTION!

On the MOVE!

Hear insightful audio essays by Janine Africa on Prison Radio"

For more information on the MOVE 9 see <http://onamove.com> and <http://move9parole.blogspot.com>

6. ROMAINE "CHIP" FITZGERALD-Birthday: April 11, 1949



Contact Information

Prison Address
#B-27527 CSP-LAC
P.O. Box 4490 B-4-150
Lancaster,, CA 93539
United States

Birthday: April 11, 1949

Affiliation: Black Panther Party- Longest held Black Panther Political Prisoner

Captured: 1969 - Life IN PRISON 49 YEARS

“The prison administrators and their advocates within the state want to create fear in the minds of the public in an effort to persuade the people to give state authorities carte blanche in the inhumane treatment of convicts, and allow the prison administrators to operate without oversight and accountability.”

U.S. Prisoner

<http://www.freechip.org>

Jericho Movement's Current Work and Progress

Jericho is actively maintaining direct connection with each political prisoner by visiting and writing them monthly. Financial assistance was provided in April to Political Prisoner's to cover needs. Jericho actively advocated for medical and legal needs in April, especially given the continued dire situation with Seth. We are assisting our Political Prisoners/Prisoner's of War who have upcoming parole hearings.

Jericho meetings occurred during the month of April across the nation. The campaign "in the Spirit of Nelson Mandela met on April 7th and great strides were made as the letter was sent to the international jurists requesting a re-examination of violations. Jericho also held political education classes, prisoner letter writing sessions, organized for various events as well as supporting affiliates and other organizations in shared missives. Jericho members participated in many forums this month as well as were keynote speakers at events. Jericho is happy to announce that a Boston Chapter joins it's movement!

Highlights:

The Jericho Movement has initiated as well as supported and participated in many events and calls to action this month. Thinking forward-we will be updating our website, increasing our international reach to build continued solidarity and plan to create additional resources for our Political Prisoners/POW's and their families. As Jalil Muntaqim, Seth Hayes, Ruchell McGee, and some of the MOVE members have parole hearings coming up, we are campaigning for their freedom. With the freedom of our beloved Herman Bell, we are also analyzing the change in the NYS parole board and hopeful for the rest of our NY PP's/POW's. We are also aware of the political chaos that has come with this change, and are preparing to address any backlash which could hurt our future Political Prisoner's chances at a fair hearing. We honor and commend the parole board for their courageous decision to free Herman based on the application of the law criteria and for **not** following the path of their predecessors who deny parole due to malice.

In the Spirit of Nelson Mandela Campaign

Jericho is spearheading the “In the Spirit of Nelson Mandela” campaign proposed by political prisoner and co-founder of the National Jericho Movement Jalil Abdul Muntaqim. This initiative appeals to the international community, including the International Commission of Jurists, to call for special hearings within the United Nations to review the cases of Political Prisoners. Several meetings have already occurred in collaboration with interested others, and much headway is being made regarding organizing efforts. **A May meeting is planned.** Please contact: nycjericho@gmail.com if you are interested in becoming involved.

As we prepare to launch the In the Spirit of Nelson Mandela, Bring Back the International Jurists Campaign, we are providing links to some important documents. One of these is the United Nations Mandela Rules, unanimously passed by the Security Counsel in December of 2015. Another important document is Jalil

Muntaqim's essay regarding the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and the International Jurists. Please see links and Docs at: <http://www.freejalil.com/2017juristsUN.html>
[Click here to read the Report of International Jurists—Visit with Human Rights Petitioners in the United States, August 3-20, 1979.](#)

Political Prisoner/Prisoner of War, Jalil Muntaqim states in his blog “recently the Jericho Amnesty Movement embarked on a new national and international campaign to persuade the U.N. International Jurists to initiate a formal investigation on human rights abuses of U.S. political prisoners. To further demand the U.S. Corporate Government implement the U.N. Minimum Standards on the Treatment of Prisoners, and for the immediate release of our political prisoners. This especially calls for the release of those with COINTELPRO convictions who have languished in prison for 30 to 50 years. These political prisoners were contemporaries of Nelson Mandela; when he was fighting against Apartheid in South Afrika, they were fighting against Jim Crow segregation and second-class citizenship in the U.S. This Jericho campaign motto is “In the Spirit of Nelson Mandela” and activists across the country are urged to join and support in whatever way they are able in political solidarity toward the building of the National Coalition for the Human Rights of Political Prisoners”. (<http://www.freejalil.com/blog47.html>).

As we move forward into 2018, we seek to continue to form new alliances, to help build a more unified front both nationally and internationally. We look forward to expanding our scope of services as well as increasing our dedicated members, especially reaching out to the youth to carry on the torch of justice for not only our beloved freedom fighter's who are now elders **still** in these dungeons , but also for those Political Prisoner's who are to come in the future-and surely they will, given the escalating oppression and fascism that is swiftly seeping through every “right” in this country. Unless a sudden change permeates the power structures, the number of political prisoner's will grow. COINTELPRO is still alive and running many missives in which to entrap those who oppose the tyrannical, oppressive & racism regime. In the many decades of their operations they have become even more cunning and sophisticated. Our hope is to unify the people who truly want to move forward towards a better future for all, **not just some**-and to use the power of unified numbers to stand as strong as a spider web against those who have chosen a destructive path to abolish human rights.

As our Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of War are aging and too many have already died behind these dungeon walls, it is imperative that we as a collective, continue to go even harder in the quest for their freedom. They have been waiting patiently... for 30, 40, 50 years. “For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others.”—**Nelson Mandela**

As Jericho has withstood many obstacles in the past 20 years, we are still here, and we will not fall back. We are relentless in bringing our beloved freedom fighters home.

Gratitude and Appreciation

It is with great gratitude that we express our sincere appreciation to you-our supporters. Without your help, we could not accomplish all that we do for our Political Prisoner's/prisoner's of war. From helping their families visit them, to assisting with legal and medical needs, to putting monies in their commissary as well as providing forums wherein we can hold events to educate others about our political prisoners/Prisoner's of war, your support helps make this possible. We know it, and our Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of war know it as well. There is power in the people, and this is where their freedom lies. It is because of people such as yourselves, who so graciously give of your time, your donations as well as your thoughts towards this cause that brings us closer to the day when we can finally say-They are Home at Last....Can you imagine? After sacrificing for the community-the community is the one who brings them home. After languishing in a steel dungeon waiting for freedom for decades, when that door finally swings open and they finally step into their families arms for good, it will be a powerful day indeed. We are all links that join together as one. No act, no deed is too small. Together we are strong, powerful. We just have to keep going-as they did back in the days when they were fighting the same old oppressive, racist regime. “Freedom can never be taken for granted. Each generation must safeguard it and extend it. Your parents and elders sacrificed much so that you should have freedom without suffering what they did. Use this precious right to ensure that the darkness of the past never return.”—**Nelson Mandela**. Thank you-for safeguarding and extending the fight for justice, freedom and human rights. There is a light down the way, it is called our children's eyes. May they know a better world.

As you know, the obstacles to helping free our political prisoners are immense. It is to challenge the super power and its many facets. It is to fight repression through education, organizing, mobilizing, and creating a movement that embraces freedom and dignity for all people and freedom for all political prisoners.

Your financial support at this time is needed for Jericho's continued work and effectiveness.

If you cannot support financially, please do continue to read our newsletters, share them widely, tell others about our Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of War-volunteer to help us if you can, for everything matters and no sincere deed is left unnoticed. We are the ones, for a prisoner's options are limited, we have the key, we just have to figure out together, how to unlock those doors.

Free all Political Prisoners!

In struggle and gratitude, The National Jericho Movement

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